

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 12, 2017
6:30 P.M.
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The City of Girard Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor, Kurt Ziegler with City Clerk, Debra Smith, calling roll to determine quorum present. The following council members answered roll: Sheldon DeLange, 1st Ward; Lucas Stansbury, 2nd Ward; Danny Murray, 3rd Ward; and Mike West, 4th Ward. There was a quorum present.

Also present were City Administrator, Chris Weiner and City Attorney, Richard D. Loffswold, Jr.

A prayer was given by DeLange.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Ziegler.

Motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange, accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by DeLange, seconded by Murray, accept consent agenda, items A-B, as presented. Motion carried.

Ed Becker was present to request the City to look at the right of way in the alley behind his house, the entrance is lined by railroad ties and might hamper emergency vehicles from entering if needed. Mayor asked Chris to consider the matter and meet with Mr. Becker.

Carolyn Zagonel, Celebrate Girard, was present to request a sponsorship donation for the "Thursday night's on the Square". Motion by DeLange, seconded by West, approve a \$500 donation, with appreciation for the Thursday events. Motion carried.

Terry Sercher with Diehl-Banwart-Bolton CPA's, presented the 2016 Audit to the City Council. There will be a correction to page 12, as Notes A and B were not listed, however it was a good audit with the highest opinion allowed.

The Land Bank Ordinance tabled from last meeting was discussed. Option 1 of the ordinance allowed community appointed board members, Option 2 appointed the council and mayor as board members. Motion by DeLange, seconded by West, adopt Ordinance 1298 entitled Land Bank, option 2, with council and mayor as board members. Aye-DeLange and West. Nay-Stansbury and Murray. The Mayor voted Nay to break the tie. Motion to adopt Ordinance 1298 failed.

Discussion was held on presenting proclamations to the State Champion Softball Team and State Champion track and cross country runner, Cailie Logue at the first "Thursday night on the square" event.

Motion by West, seconded by DeLange, hold a special meeting Thursday night, June 15th at 6:30, to be held at the Gazebo for presentation of Proclamations. Motion carried.

Motion by DeLange, seconded by Stansbury, approve new year Blue Cross Blue Shield contract, choice #1, platinum level as presented by Chris. Motion carried.

Chris presented the first draft of the 2018 budget. County valuations will be arriving soon and he will sure up the numbers when they are received. Discussion to hold special meetings for budget workshops, no dates were set.

Motion by West, seconded by Murray, appoint Laura Moreland to the Raymond Community Home Board with the term to expire Dec. 31, 2019. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by Murray, appoint Judy Gifford to the Raymond Community Home Board with the term to expire Dec. 31, 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by Murray, appoint Sandy Hallacy to the Raymond Community Home Board with the term to expire Dec. 31, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by DeLange, appoint Greg Peak to the Active Transportation Advisory Board with the term to expire April 15, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by DeLange, appoint Diana Peak to the Active Transportation Advisory Board with the term to expire April 15, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by Stansbury, appoint Brian Boore to the Active Transportation Advisory Board with the term to expire April 15, 2021. Motion carried.

A letter was received by Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee President, Tony Stonerock. The Committee would like to put the Plan on hold while the city is without an administrator, as they would like to have the new administrator be a part of the process.

There was a short break from 8:00 P.m. to 8:03 P.M.

The Governing Body comments included discussion about: camera at brush pile, sidewalk to the Dollar Store, west water tower, upcoming event at the Pink Pickle with the Members Only band, and streetscape project update.

The meeting was called into executive session at 8:49 P.M. for Attorney/Client Privileges for 25 minutes, to include Mayor, Council, City Administrator and City Attorney, on a motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange. Motion carried.

The meeting resumed at 9:16 P.M. with a motion for the meeting to adjourn by Murray, seconded by Stansbury. Motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26TH DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

KURT ZIEGLER, MAYOR

DEBRA J. SMITH, CMC, CITY CLERK